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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Albert J.J. VAN OOIJEN et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office action dated November 24, 1998. This extension will extend the time the response is due from February 24, 1999 to May 24, 1999.

- A three month(s) extension is requested; the extension fee is \$870.00.
- A check in the amount of \$870.00 is attached.

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05/28/1999 SARAYA 01 FC+117 The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 261922003302.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 24, 1999

By:

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